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SUBJECT: GOC SUPPORT ON INMARSAT

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1. J S STANFORD, DEPUTY DIRECTORY, LEGAL ADVISORY DIV.,
EXTAFF, CALLED TCO LATE APRIL 8 TO REQUEST THAT COPIES US
DOCUMENTATION TO BE TABLED AT LONDON BE AVAILABLE CANDEL
PRIOR ITS DEPARTURE FROM OTTAWA APRIL21.

2. CHAIRMANSHIP CANDEL NOT YET DETERMINED, BUT STANFORD INDICATED
CANADIAN OFFICIALS HAVE DISCUSSED US PRESENTATION APRIL 1
MEETING AND CONSIDER THAT THERE IS A STRONG COMMON CAUSE ON
INMARSAT ISSUE. WAS A BIT SURPRISED
THAT WE CONSIDERED THEIR REACTION A BIT HESITANT TO REQUEST
FOR SUPPORT ON THAT OCCASION. STATED THAT SITUATION FOR
CANADA WOULD NOT BE GOOD IF US DECLINES TO PARTICIPATE,
AND CONSEQUENTLY CANADA ANXIOUS TO DO WHAT IT CAN
TO SECURE INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS WHICH WILL ENABLE
US TO DO SO. CONSEQUENTLY CANDEL NEEDS DOCUMENTATION
QUICKLY SO THAT IT IS IN BEST POSITION SUPPORT USDEL
AS EFFECTIVELY AS POSSIBLE. IN PARTICULAR, CANDEL WISHES
TO DISSIPATE QUICKLY--AT OUTSET OF CONFERENCE--ANY
ATTEMPT TO DEPICT US EFFORTS IN TABLING NEW TEXTS
AS A DELAYING TACTIC. CANDEL WILL WORK CORRIDORS AS
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WELL AS PARTICIPATE IN FORMAL DISCUSSIONS AS APPROPRIATE.

3. IN COURSE OF CONVERSATION STANFORD REMINDED TCO THAT THERE WERE A FEW ISSUES (E.G. EARTH STATION LOCATIONS) ON WHICH GOC HOPES FOR US SUPPORT,BUT IS NOT IN ANY WAY LINKING THESE WITH ITS BACKING OF US POSITION ON BASIC ORGANIZATIONAL QUESTIONS. INTERAGENCY GROUP WILL CONTINUE TO MEET PRIOR TO DEPARTURE AND STANFORD SAID HE MAY HAVE FURTHER INFO TO PASS ON.

4. COMMENT: EARL PORTER, DIRECTOR GENERAL, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS BUREAU. MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT, IN EARLIER CONVERSATION THIS WEEK STILL APPEARED RELUCTANT TO ASSURE TCO OF CANDIAN WILLINGNESS ACTIVELY SUPPORT US EVEN THOUGH HE ALSO RECOGNIZED COMMONALITY OF INTERESTS. HOWEVER, IN LIGHT OF STANFORD REMARKS USDEL CAN PROBABLY BE CONFIDENT ACTIVE SUPPORT.

5. IN VIEW OF DELAYS IN RECEIVING MATERIAL FROM WASHINGTON WE SUGGEST MATERIAL FOR CANDEL BE SENT IN DUPLICATE; ONE SET BY OPEN AIR MAIL AND OTHER BY AIR POUCH. EVEN IF ALL MATERIAL NOT YET READY SUGGEST WASHINGTON SEND WHAT IS AVAILABLE.
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